

Howland Wood - Curatorial

Director of the Mint
[U.S. Treasury Department

1924-1937

Washington, D.C.]

March 29th, 1924

Director of the Mint
Treasury Dept.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I noticed in the collection of medals at the National Museum, a bronze copy of the Treasury Department medal for Saving Life on Railroads. As we have specimens of the Treasury Department medals for life saving on the high seas, we should greatly appreciate it if we could obtain by purchase or otherwise a copy of the railroad medal.

Very truly yours,

Curator

10th December, 1928

Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We desire to purchase coins struck by the mint during the year 1928. We figure out that in gold a double-eagle and a quarter-eagle were struck; in silver, one dollar, half-dollar, and quarter-dollar, and dime were made; and the five-cent and one-cent pieces of the minor coinage, amounting to \$24.41. If this is correct, and you can let us know the approximate postage and registration, we will have a money order sent you.

We note in the June Mint Report that 50,000 Oregon Trail half-dollars were struck. Do these bear the date 1928 or do they bear the date of first issuance?

I beg to remain

Very truly yours,

Curator

December 6, 1929

Director of the United States Mint
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

We are desirous, as usual, of obtaining specimens of the coinage of 1929. According to our records, the Government has struck, this year, a Double Eagle, Half Eagle and Quarter Eagle, Half-dollars, Quarters and Dimes, and Five and One Cent pieces. Please let us know how much you wish to have us remit.

Yours very truly,

Curator.

Director of the Mint,
Office of the Director of the Mint,
Treasury Bldg.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

About two weeks ago we sent an application filled out to send a gold coin to England. Since that time we have not received the permit. We are very anxious to return this coin and the owners of it are requesting that they get it back.

If this application could be expedited we would appreciate it very much.

Very truly yours,

Curator

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OFFICE OF
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON

APR - 7 1936

The American Numismatic Society,
156th Street and Broadway,
New York, New York.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your recent application on Form
TG-11, there is enclosed license No. 27 on Form TGL-11, au-
thorizing the export of a certain rare gold coin.

This license should be presented, together with
the coin to be exported, to the Postmaster at New York City.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

Enclosure

April 11, 1936

Miss M. M. Reilly,
Office of the Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Reilly:

I beg to thank you for sending me the
license form TGL-11, and have just sent the coin to
Europe.

I expect to be in Washington on Friday the
24th, to pick up Mrs. Wood who will be there for
the Annual D.A.R. Convention. We are then planning
to drive down to Williamsburg and other parts of
Virginia. I will try to drop in and bother
you for a few minutes on the 24th.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW ks



OFFICE OF
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

April 16, 1936.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Society,
156th Street and Broadway,
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Wood:

I have your letter of April 11th and
am very happy over the prospect of seeing you on
the 24th. I hope nothing will happen to prevent
you from calling.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Nov. 4, 1937

Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

A short while ago you made medals for the Navy Department that were given to Admiral Byrd and his organization for work done in Little America.

We are anxious to get two of these medals so as to show obverse and reverse. The enclosed letter from the Navy Department is self-explanatory. We would appreciate it if you would return this letter.

Very truly yours,

Curator

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PRESIDENT PRESENTS MEDAL TO ELLSWORTH

Award by Congress Recognizes Services of Explorer to Science and Aeronautics

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—President Roosevelt presented today a gold Congressional Medal to Lieut. Comdr. Lincoln Ellsworth in recognition of his Antarctic flight in 1935, during which he claimed 350,000 square miles of territory on behalf of the United States. The explorer, accompanied by his wife, received the medal in the Executive offices.

Commander Ellsworth was cited by the act awarding the medal 'as having claimed for this country land "representing the last unclaimed territory in the world." The act also referred to his "exceptionally meritorious services to science and aeronautics."

Previously Commander Ellsworth had received a medal of honor from Congress in recognition of his flight over the North Pole with Roald Amundsen in 1928. He also has received medals from the Royal Italian Geographic Society, the American Museum of Natural History, the American Geographic Society and the National Geographic Society. Last October Commander Ellsworth received in London a medal of the Royal Geographical Society, awarded by King George VI, in recognition of his contribution to world geographic knowledge in the Antarctic flight.

The Antarctic flight started on Nov. 23, 1935, and three weeks was spent in the 2,500-mile trip through the heart of the south polar region. Commander Ellsworth had as his pilot Herbert Hollick-Kenyon. They flew from Grahamland, on the Weddell Sea, to Little America, on the Ross Sea. They made four landings during the flight, and trekked the last 100 miles on snowshoes to reach their goal.

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EXPLORER RECEIVING MEDAL FROM PRESIDENT

Mr. Roosevelt presenting a special gold award to Lincoln Ellsworth for flights that the latter made over the antarctic in 1935 to establish claim for 350,000 square miles for the United States. In the center is Mrs. Ellsworth.

December 18, 1937

Director of The Mint
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I note in the papers that the President has presented a gold Congressional Medal to Lieut. Comdr. Lincoln Ellsworth in recognition of his Antarctic flight in 1935. Could a reproduction of this medal be obtained and if so what bureau or department should I write to?

Very truly yours,

Curator

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